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The following is a compilation of information available on selected fuel dumps within the Soviet Zone of Germany:

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Annaburg

1. During World War II Annaburg (N 52/E 66) was an air force oil dump where lubricating oil, grease, and Glysantin, a type of anti-freeze solution, were stored. It had a storage capacity of approximately 6,000 cubic meters. The dump is located in a wooded area north of the Annaburg-Prettin (N 52/E 55) road and has a railroad connection with the standard-gauge single-track Annaburg-Prettin branch line, which branches off from the Falkenberg-Sittenberg trunk line. The dump was heavily damaged by bombing in February 1945. The installation is said to have been used by the Soviets until 1948. It seems to have been unused since December 1948. Guards were not observed there.

Aussig

2. A large air force fuel depot was in Aussig in the Sudetenland, now Czechoslovakia, during World War II.

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Bad Berka

3. There was a German Air Force fuel depot with a capacity of 6,000 cubic meters near Bad Berka (N 51/J 46). It was located on the Bad Berka-Tannroda highway and had a railroad connection with the Berka railroad station. It was almost completely destroyed by bombs in early 1945, but was reconditioned by the Soviets in a makeshift way and used in 1947/1948.

the dump was deactivated in November 1948 and then completely dismantled.

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Dorben-Ferchland

4. There was a large air force fuel depot built into the steep eastern bank of the Elbe River near Dorben-Scheberg (N 53/Y 93), 1 km north of Dorben. The installation was constructed in 1937 and had an underground storage capacity of 16,000 cubic meters. The installation covered an area of about 1 square km, which was partly wooded. A railroad connection to the single-track Juesen-Werichow-Schoonhausen line joining the Berlin-Magdeburg and Berlin-Stendal

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trunk lines was available. Standpipe facilities for unloading fuel from tank barges were also available. The depot was partially destroyed by bombs in 1944/1945. It was used by the Soviets up to the fall of 1949, both fuel tank cars and tank barges being observed at the installation.

the equipment of the depot, including the fuel tanks, was evacuated by the Soviet Corporation Plant Buna during the period from September to November 1949. The installation was then demolished and the spur track dismantled. 25X1

Stassfurt

5. There was an air force fuel and oil dump in Stassfurt (M 52/D 66)-Leopoldshall. It had a capacity of 22,000 cubic meters. Dismantling is said to have reduced its capacity to 8,000 cubic meters in 1947. *

Comment. According to unconfirmed information, this dump is no longer used.

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